

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for the automation of availability-checking, reservation and
5 allocation/assignment processes for localized products and/or services, under
utilization of a supraregional communications link and on the basis of a user's
requirements, including: a) the user selecting a provider's product or service; b)
the user transmitting an identification code; c) the provider reserving the item,
storing the identification code, and forwarding a reservation and code information
10 to a code verification system, under utilization of a local-area communications
link; d) triggering a non-contact, proximity code verification when the user
enters within a range of the code verification system; and e) granting an access
to the user upon a positive code verification.